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A man's life is like a well, not like a snake—it should be measured by its depth, not by its length.—Dr. Austin O'Malley.

AUSTRALIA TO ARMS.

Telegraph despatches a few days ago that Great Britain would raise another big army of colonialists lends special interest to what an Associated Press correspondent in Melbourne says of the recruiting campaign in Australia. He writes that everything possible is now being done to get more recruits in Australia—everything short of conscription itself. There are, after a year of the war, 90,000 Australians under arms, either in the firing line at the Dardanelles or in the training camps; but instead of there being any let up in the call for men, the demand for them grows more and more insistent.

Although the ministry of defense denies that it looks to conscription, a census of unmarried men has just been taken by the police of the various states to determine the fighting strength. The result of this has not been made public. The campaign to enlist volunteers, however, takes on new vigor each day. There are speeches by civil and military authorities, there are newspaper appeals; there are huge advertising posters, there are parades, and there is even the display of wounded soldiers—all to the same end. In Victoria a recruiting campaign covering the last three weeks of July resulted in more than 18,000 enlistments, a number which, it is pointed out, equals the strength of the entire Australian force which was sent to Egypt last November. The fact that New South Wales is in virtually all things a rival of Victoria—in some ways jealously so—figures to a certain extent in a recruiting campaign which is now in progress there.

Business houses all over Australia are making it easier for young men in their employ to enlist by either keeping up their pay or promising them their old places if they return, and to induce men—even with dependents—to join the colors, the press is by request of the military authorities printing almost daily the liberal rates of pay for Australians on active service and the pensions which will be paid the disabled and the relatives of such officers and privates as may be killed.

But the chief appeal is to patriotism, and never have the Antipodes seen such a widespread and ardent use as nowadays of the Union Jack of the Empire and the southern cross of the young Australian Federation. The government will have comparatively little trouble in clothing the greatly augmented number of volunteers, but it will have considerable difficulty in arming them. It is not improbable that it will have to have the assistance of the imperial government in this respect.

Meanwhile wounded men are beginning to be brought back all the way from the Gallipoli peninsula in fair numbers. By November it is likely that with cooler weather in the Red Sea many more will be returned home. Elaborate preparations have been made for the care and treatment of these soldiers. In order to raise funds for this July 30 was chosen as "Australia Day" and every conceivable method of obtaining and soliciting contributions was employed on that date from one end of the Commonwealth to the other. Melbourne and Sydney resembled nothing so much as huge country fairs. The result of the patriotic charity was a sum which, with the returns not yet in from many sections, amounts to nearly \$4,000,000.

GETTING IT SETTLED.

Few Washington officials who have visited Hawaii have made the impression that Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Newton has made in his one week's stay. Upon everyone he has met the fact has been quietly and insistently emphasized that Mr. Newton is open-minded, that he takes a very keen interest in the welfare of the territory and may be relied upon to maintain that interest after his steamer clears Diamond Head. His admirable mixture of frankness and discretion has done much and will do more to settle an eight-year controversy over the federal building site. No one can talk with the assistant secretary without feeling convinced that the only factors which enter into his decision on a site are the factors of suitability, availability and price.

Mr. Newton came here to settle the federal site question and the indications are that he's getting it settled in short order—and settled permanently.

NO NEED TO SPEND \$1200.

The charter revision convention isn't within hailing distance of the \$1200 estimated as necessary expense, and there is no prospect of getting this sum or anything like it either from the city or the territorial treasury. The city attorney declares that if the supervisors vote the money they will be violating their oaths of office, as their action would be illegal and contrary to the opinion rendered to them; the attorney-general holds that the territory cannot legally foot the bill and has advised the governor that he has no right to meet it from the contingent fund.

So the charter convention has no funds. How it will meet the financial stringency is uncertain, but it might be said right here that there is no necessity for spending \$1200. One-sixth of that amount would be sufficient if the delegates would exert the strictest economy—and they'll have to exert it now. The Star-Bulletin is assured that one of the big items—hire of clerk and interpreter—is unnecessary, for capable members will volunteer to interpret and do the clerical work for nothing. Deputy City Attorney Chillingworth offers to do the interpretation gratis and says that he can find a delegate who will act as clerk—saving \$600 from the estimate of \$1200. The Young Hotel has very kindly given the use of one of its cool and comfortable pavilions as a meeting-place and will furnish, we are told, the janitor service.

Twelve hundred dollars' expense for the important city charter convention is not a great sum, but it is much too large when most of it can be saved. By setting an example of volunteer assistance and rigid economy, the delegates will help materially in convincing the voters that the charter they draw is drawn for the best interests of the public.

A decided sense of relief developed in financial circles when it became known that Germany was ready to conduct its submarine warfare upon the lines requested by the United States government. This welcome concession on the part of Germany was naturally gratifying to American sentiment, and has, it is hoped, permanently removed all serious friction between the two countries. Details may require time for adjustment, but if the present spirit of conciliation is preserved on both sides, all fear of a serious rupture, or becoming involved in the war, will disappear. As a danger point, therefore, the "Lusitania" and the "Arabic" incidents may be considered as safely passed.—Henry Clews.

Local customs officials invite the San Francisco surveyor of customs to go as far as he likes in an investigation of the alleged "opium ring" in Hawaii. Surveyor Wardell had the symptoms of a man with a grudge when he left here and it may have remained with him on his voyage to the Coast.

The Progressive party in Hawaii says little regarding the presidential campaign, but he is understood to be ready for another stand at Armageddon providing Teddy leads the way and George W. Perkins continues to run the commissary.

Unfortunately the "quarantine" declared by the United States does not extend across the border to Chihuahua or Mexico City. Otherwise the busy generals who keep the revolutions going might be suppressed for awhile.

Director-general Cooper is busy at San Francisco amassing ideas for next February's Carnival. It's safe to say that Judge Cooper will return with a lot of them. His preliminary work is coming along finely.

Georgia is suffering the flings of paragraphers all over the country since the Frank lynching, but nothing can hurt worse than the mere facts.

Compulsory military education in one of these civilian training-camps would about hit the case of the peace-at-any-price gentry.

From the troubles of liners which sail from New York it appears there is an extension on that war-zone.

Silence used to give consent—but in the war zone now it generally admits defeat.

Meanwhile the hyphen is beginning to look more and more like a question-mark.

LETTERS.

(The Star-Bulletin invites free and frank discussion in this column on all legitimate subjects of current interest. Communications are constantly received to which no signature is attached. This paper will treat as confidential signatures to letters if the writers so desire, but cannot give space for anonymous communications.)

AUTO LINES AND RAILROADS.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.
Sir: Is not something wrong with our railroad when auto trucks and automobiles can compete with it? Traffic? Is there not room for our board of public utilities to investigate when auto trucks can and do make regular runs to stations along the railroad, hauling their own freight and freight for others to and from Honolulu at a less rate than is charged by the O. R. & L. Co.? The public becomes interested for the reason the roads are continually cut up by this auto traffic, and the expense of taxpayers is large during the course of a year. How is it possible for these trucks to compete with the railroads if the railroad has a rate that is reasonable? And if not reasonable, there is room for investigation. I do not see that the city should be required to build roads that compete with the railroad between Honolulu and Schofield on the one side and Kalaheo on the other. Let some one in authority look into this.
R. R.

COAST STORY DENIED.

Krotons, Hollywood, California.
September 4, 1915.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.
Dear Sir:—I see you copy some remarks from the San Francisco Call regarding some remarks reported to be made by me in San Francisco. As is often the case, the report is very much garbled, and I ask your attention to printing this letter in rebuttal. The occasion which gave rise to the misstatements was a scientific lecture on the different nervous systems and nerve reactions. In it I made the point that the brain power of the various races, as shown by their intellectual capacity in language, etc., has been taken into consideration when giving them a bibliography of life, the primitive races needing sport and amusement more than the advanced races do. This is being recognized now in all the cities, the playground being the key to the control of growing boys.

I may have misunderstood to the fact that nearly a hundred years ago sports were prohibited by certain missionaries. I certainly never used the present tense as in the article, and know that the people in Hawaii will not take umbrage at a newspaper report as they know on what side my work has been in my long life in Hawaii. The "camp for colored prisoners and faulty boys" was a reporter's pipe dream. I have personally visited the boys in my camps from year to year, and as shown by their good record in perfect their most boys, and yet I never had room for half the boys I wanted in Honolulu, where, as everybody knows, we have a high type of Anglo-Saxon produced. Thanking you for the space, I am,

Yours truly,
AUGUSTUS F. KNUDSEN.

INTERVIEWS.

—WILLIAM AHIA: I am still looking for Molina Kawai, the boy that ran away from me just as I was going to adopt him and give him a home. I have looked for several days, but have been unable so far to get the slightest trace of the little fellow.

—JOHN F. HALEY: That small grass plot just back of the University Club quarters is a living example of what may be done through little improvements in making a city beautiful. A month ago the lot was bare of verdure and contained nothing much but ashes or old rubbish piles, together with tin cans. Today it is covered with a beautiful green, and needs only a few weeks more to have the appearance of a well-kept lawn. I presume the honor goes to the territory which owns it and allowed the work to be done, to the city which did the work, and to the University Club which has agreed to keep the place in order.

—M. C. PACHECO, chairman of the charter convention: Talking about misappropriation of funds concerning which the city officials are so solicitous when the convention asks \$1200 expenses money, I notice that last night the supervisors appropriated about \$5000 for sidewalks around territorial lots. And in the appropriation bill passed by the last legislature I find an item of \$3000 for such walks. The city has no right to spend money in putting sidewalks around territorial property. Of course, we grant that it's a shame the sidewalks are not there.

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SOLD
Palolo Ave.

ERECT BLEACHERS AT WAIKIKI SIDE OF POOL AT 'Y'

Committee Decides on Charge of Only 10 Cents Per Swim for Association Members

Permanent bleachers will be erected on the Waikiki side of the Y. M. C. A. swimming pool and on the low roof over the general secretary's office. Temporary bleachers will be placed at the end and along the side wall, or "beach," as it is now called. This was the decision of the swimming pool committee which took action yesterday afternoon.

At the same time they decided that the charge for the individual swim should be 10 cents, which will cover the cost of upkeep of the plunge and the laundry of the towels. In the old Y. M. C. A. the charge at the pool was 25 cents but close managing will enable the association to give the members this advantage at a lower cost.

Each member will be required to take a hot shower with soap before using the pool.

The pool will be open to all members who have paid the fee of \$10, to the intermediate holders of \$7 membership and to boys who have paid the \$5 fee. Boys will be supplied with trunks instead of bathing suits. Stripes around the leg of the suit will indicate the size, as four stripes means size 38 and three stripes means 36.

Since many of the boys of the association have not much spending money it has been decided that when they swim in groups there will be no charge, as for instance when they come from a class they will be furnished with trunks and towel in exchange for the regular towel check, but when they swim at any intermediate hour they will be charged the regular fee of 10 cents.

GURNEY EXHIBIT AT UNIVERSITY CLUB IS STRONG

Lovers of good painting who attended the opening night of the A. R. Gurney, Sr. display at the University Club are unanimous in their praise of the oil paintings Mr. Gurney has found time to do in the midst of a busy life, and praise of the University Club for its promotion of the series, of which this is the first.

Mr. Gurney has grasped local feeling as well as local color, his intimate knowledge of Hawaii's moods being displayed in such subjects as "Diamond Head at Dawn from the Mud Flats," "Off Black Point," and "After Sundown." The paintings show his strong leaning toward the marvelous colors on shore waters. Visitors and residents alike will be charmed at the manner in which he has interpreted a number of familiar local views.

The exhibit is open mornings and evenings until September 25.

Personal Mention

MALCOLM A. FRANKLIN, collector of customs, will sail on the Sonoma Thursday for the coast and will proceed to Washington on some official business and later visit his former home in Mississippi.

MISS RENA BERTELMANN, clerk in the sheriff's office, was to leave for the mainland in the steamer Manoa today for a visit of seven weeks in San Francisco. It will be Miss Bertelmann's first trip away from the islands.

MISS LOUISE EFFINGER of this city, a member of the sophomore class University of California, has been elected captain of the class swimming team. Miss Effinger was born in Honolulu and was a member of the Outrigger Club and a graduate of Punahou, class of 1914.

and the city needs the walks, but it cannot legally pay this expense which should be borne by the territory.

Donald B. Campbell of Port Jefferson, L. I., was arrested and fined \$30 for killing squirrel on his property.

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ASANO'S COUNTRY HOME BURNED ON AUGUST 31

President Asano of the T. K. K., who recently spoke before the Pan-Pacific Club of Honolulu and called upon Hawaii to help him in his work of keeping up the transportation facilities across the Pacific, which has been his life work, will find his new abiding place in Yokohama, for his beautiful country home at Oahu burned to the ground on the night of August 31 according to a clipping from a Japanese paper which reached Honolulu today.

Attorney-General Gregory ordered suits instituted to recover unpaid government advances to get Americans from the war zone when the war broke out.

A cozy bungalow, on an excellent lot in "Makiki Beautiful," can be secured by a first payment of \$500, the other payments to follow regularly at the rate of \$48 monthly. The total cost of home and lot will be \$3450. There are just 5 of these opportunities.

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